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Capillary electrophoretic separation of cationic porphyrins.

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Cationic porphyrins have a wide variety of uses including those as **nucleic** acid binding and cleaving agents, as potential pharmacological agents, as electron donor/acceptors in intramolecular electron transfer processes and as **analytical** reagents. Herein, we report the separation of cationic porphyrins by capillary electrophoresis on fused silica in phosphate buffer at pH 2-5. The porphyrins studied in this work were synthesized from **alkylation** of the parent tetrapyridylporphyrin (TPyP) to give various pyridinium porphyrins. For example, methylation of TPyP gives a mixture of the mono-, cis-di-, trans-di-, tri- and tetramethylated porphyrins [e.g., 5,10,15,20-tetrakis(N-methyl-4-pyridiniumyl)-21H,23H-porphyrin, TMPyP(4)]. Capillary electrophoresis on a synthetic mixture showed separation of four of these compounds. Mixtures after **alkylation** with iodopropionic acid and bromopropylamine were also separated. The cis-di- and trimethylated TMPyP derivatives were separated on a small preparative scale by centrifugal partition chromatography. Capillary electrophoresis was also

used to separate metallo TMPyP(4) complexes including those of cobalt, copper, iron, manganese, palladium, tin, vanadium and zinc. The conformational isomers (atropisomers) of 5,10,15,20-tetrakis(N-methyl-2-pyridiniumyl)-21H,23H-porphyrin, TMPyP(2), were also separated. Net charge, molecular mass and molecular shape all contribute to the differential retention of cationic porphyrins under capillary electrophoresis conditions. Additional factors affecting the separations, including aggregation and protonation of the porphyrins, were probed by evaluating the separation of TMPyP(4) and its butyl and octyl analogs as a function of solution conditions. Cationic porphyrins are difficult to separate using traditional chromatographic methods; capillary electrophoresis and centrifugal partition chromatography provide excellent new techniques for separation of this class of compounds.

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Caffeine-DNA interactions: biochemical investigations comprising DNA-repair enzymes and nucleic acid synthesis.

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Chicken embryo cells were treated with caffeine (0.5-8.0 mM) alone or combined with various chemical and physical DNA-and/or chromatin-interactive agents. Analytical procedures comprised scheduled (SDS) and unscheduled (UDS) DNA synthesis, RNA synthesis (RNS), the activities of O6-alkylguanine-DNA alkyltransferase (AT) and poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase (PARP) as well as nucleoid sedimentation. Additional investigations were done in rat thymic and splenic cells. The effect of caffeine on DNase-I activity served as an in vitro-model system. When present in the PARP-, SDS-, UDS- and RNS-assays, caffeine inhibited the corresponding tracer (¹⁴C-NAD, dT-3H, 3H-U) incorporation in a dose-dependent manner. The AT activity was slightly stimulated. At concentrations of 0.06-0.3 mM, caffeine inhibited DNase-I activity by excess substrate. No specific effects of caffeine could be shown by nucleoid sedimentation. Besides the reduced permeability of the cells to nucleic acid precursors, the results obtained with the PARP- and DNase-I assays give evidence for the formation of a DNA-caffeine adduct as a prominent mechanism of cellular caffeine effects including DNA repair inhibition.

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[The use of soft-ionization mass-spectrometry in biochemistry]

Primenenie miagkoionizatsionnoi mass-spektrometrii v biokhimii.

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Basic principles of mass spectrometry (MS) and methods of ionization are described. Methodological aspects of field ionization (FI) and field desorption (FD) MS are considered in detail. Examples are given demonstrating application of FI and FD MS as an **analytical** tool for structure analysis and identification of mono-, di- and oligosaccharides, **nucleic** acid bases, nucleosides, nucleotides, oligonucleotides, biomacromolecules (DNA, polysaccharides), microorganisms, metals in biological tissues and liquids, drugs (in particular, organophosphoric compounds) and their metabolites. The possibilities of fast atom bombardment MS in the investigation of dGuo and DNA **alkylation** by thiophosphamide are demonstrated.

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The kinetics of the alkaline hydrolysis of phosphotriesters in DNA.

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The degradation in alkali of normal DNA and DNA **alkylated** with dimethyl sulphate (DMS), N-methyl-N-nitrosourea (MNUA) and N-ethyl-N-nitrosourea (ENUA) has been investigated using **analytical** ultracentrifugation techniques. For control T7-DNA (w.st. denatured form 12.5 - 10(6) daltons) the rate of degradation at 37 degrees varies from 0.14 breaks/molecule/h in 0.1 M NaOH to 1.2 breaks/molecule/h in 0.4 M NaOH. When DNA is **alkylated** with reagents known to produce phosphotriesters addition of alkali leads to an initial rapid degradation not observed with control DNA. Ethyl phosphotriesters are hydrolysed at about half the rate of methyl phosphotriesters. Approximately one third of the methyl or ethyl phosphotriesters present hydrolyse to give breaks in the DNA chain.

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Metal ion-catalyzed **nucleic** acid **alkylation** and fragmentation.

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ABSTRACT: **Nucleic** acid microarrays are a growing technology in which high densities of known sequences are attached to a substrate in known locations (addressed). Hybridization of complementary sequences leads to a detectable signal such as an electrical impulse or fluorescence. This combination of sequence addressing, hybridization, and detection increases the efficiency of a variety of genomic disciplines including those that profile genetic expression, search for single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), or diagnose infectious diseases by sequencing

portions of microbial or viral genomes. Incorporation of reporter molecules into **nucleic acids** is essential for the sensitive detection of minute amounts of **nucleic acids** on most types of microarrays. Furthermore, polynucleic acid size reduction increases hybridization because of increased diffusion rates and decreased competing secondary structure of the target **nucleic acids**. Typically, these reactions would be performed as two separate processes. An improvement to past techniques, termed labeling-during-cleavage (LDC), is presented in which DNA or RNA is **alkylated** with fluorescent tags and fragmented in the same reaction mixture. In model studies with 26 nucleotide-long RNA and DNA oligomers using ultraviolet/visible and fluorescence spectroscopies as well as high-pressure liquid chromatography and mass spectrometry, addition of both **alkylating** agents (5-(bromomethyl)fluorescein, 5- or 6-iodo-acetamidofluorescein) and select metal ions (of 21 tested) to **nucleic acids** in aqueous solutions was critical for significant increases in both labeling and fragmentation, with 100-fold increases in **alkylation** possible relative to metal ion-free reactions. Lanthanide series metal ions, Pb^{2+} , and Zn^{2+} were the most reactive ions in terms of catalyzing **alkylation** and fragmentation. While oligonucleotides were particularly susceptible to fragmentation at sites containing phosphorothioate moieties, labeling and cleavage reactions occurred even without incorporation of phosphorothioate moieties into the RNA and DNA target molecules. In fact, LDC conditions were found in which RNA could be fragmented into its component monomers, allowing simultaneous sequencing from both the 5'- and the 3'-termini by mass spectrometry. The results can be explained by **alkylation** of the (thio)phosphodiester linkages to form less hydrolytically stable (thio)-phosphotriesters, which then decompose into 2',3'-cyclic phosphate (or 2'-phosphate) and 5'-hydroxyl terminal products. Analysis of fragmentation and **alkylation** products of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (Mtb) ribosomal RNA (rRNA) transcripts by polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis was consistent with the model studies. Building upon these results, I found that products from Mtb rRNA amplification products were processed with fluorescent reporters and metal ions in a single reaction milieu for analysis on an Affymetrix GeneChip. Mild conditions were discovered which balanced the need for aggressive **alkylation** and the need for controlled fragmentation, advantageously yielding GeneChip results with greater than 98% of the nucleotides reported correctly relative to reference sequences, results sufficient for accurately identifying Mtb from other *Mycobacterium* species. Thus, LDC is a new, straightforward, and rapid aqueous chemistry that is based on metal ion-catalyzed **alkylation** and **alkylation**-catalyzed fragmentation of **nucleic acids** for analysis on microarrays or other hybridization assays and that, possibly, has utility in similar processing of other appropriately functionalized biomolecules.

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Electrochemical sensor for detection of unmodified **nucleic acids**.
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ABSTRACT: We have developed a nucleic acid (NA) sensor based on mediated electrochemical oxidation of guanine residues. In this method, oligonucleotide probes are bound to a tin-doped indium oxide (ITO) electrode through a self-assembled phosphonate monolayer. The end carboxyl moiety of the monolayer is activated with carbodiimide and reacted with the amine group of a C6 alkyl linker which has been added to the 5'-end of the oligonucleotide probe. Upon hybridization of the complementary target NA, the hybrid is detected using a redox-active mediator, tris(2,2'-bipyridyl) ruthenium(II). We speculate that the monolayer does not impede electron-transfer since it contains many defect sites when assembled on a polycrystalline ITO surface. These defect sites are accessible to the mediator, but not to NA or proteins. The electrocatalytic current was a linear function of the amount of guanine bound at the electrode surface, with a detection limit of 120 amoles of guanine cm⁻² at 0.28 cm² ITO electrodes.

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The modulation by xanthenes of the DNA-damaging effect of polycyclic aromatic agents. Part II. The stacking complexes of caffeine with doxorubicin and mitoxantrone.

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ABSTRACT: Recently accumulated statistical data indicate the protective effect of caffeine consumption against several types of cancer diseases. There are also reports about protective effect of caffeine and other xanthenes against tumors induced by polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. One of the explanations of this phenomenon is based on biological activation of such carcinogens by cytochromes that are also known for metabolism of caffeine. In the accompanying paper (Kapuscinski et al., this issue) we provide evidence (flow cytometry and the cell cycle analysis) that the cytostatic effects of caffeine (CAF) on two DNA alkylating agents, which do not require the biological activation, depend on their ability to form stacking (pi-pi) complexes. In this study, we use physicochemical techniques (computer aided light absorption and microcalorimetry), and molecular modeling to examine previously published qualitative data. This is published both by our and other group's data, indicates that CAF is able to modify the cytotoxic and/or cytostatic action of the two well known antitumor drugs doxorubicin (DOX) and mitoxantrone (MIT). To obtain the quantitative results from the experimental data we used the statistical-thermodynamical model of mixed aggregation, to find the association constants KAC of the CAF-drug interaction (128 +/- 10 and 356 +/- 21 M⁻¹ for DOX-CAF and MIT-CAF complex formation, respectively). In addition, the favorable enthalpy change of CAF-MIT (DELTAH = -11.3 kcal/mol) was measured by microcalorimetry titration. The molecular

modeling (semi-empirical and force field method) allowed us to obtain the geometry of these complexes, which indicated the favorable energy (DELTA E) of complex formation of the protonated drug's molecules in aqueous environment (-7.4 and -8.7 kcal/mol for DOX-CAFcntdot5H2O and MIT-CAFcntdot8H2O complex, respectively). The molecular modeling calculation indicates the existence of CAF-drug complexes in which the MIT molecules are intercalated between two CAF molecules (DELTA E = -29.9 kcal/mol). These results indicate that the attenuating effect of caffeine on cytotoxic or mutagenic effects of some polycyclic aromatic mutagens cannot be the result of metabolic activation in the cells, but simply is the physicochemical process of the sequestering of aromatic molecules (e.g. carcinogens or mutagens) by formation of the stacking complexes. The caffeine may then act as the "interceptor" of potential carcinogens (especially in the upper part of digesting track) where its concentration can reach the mM level). There is, however, no indication, both, in the literature or from our experiments, that the xanthines can reverse the damage to nucleic acids at the point when the damage to DNA has already occurred.

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The modulation of the DNA-damaging effect of polycyclic aromatic agents by xanthines. Part I. Reduction of cytostatic effects of quinacrine mustard by caffeine.

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ABSTRACT: Recently, accumulated statistical data indicate the protective effect of caffeine consumption against several types of cancer diseases. There are also reports about protective effect of caffeine and other xanthines against tumors induced by polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. One of the explanations is based on biological activation of such carcinogens by cytochromes that are also known for metabolism of caffeine. However, there is also numerous data indicating reverse effect on cytotoxicity of anticancer drugs that inhibit the action of topoisomerase I (e.g. Camptothecin or Topotecan) and topoisomerase II inhibitors (e.g. Doxorubicin, Mitoxantrone or mAMSA). In this work we tested the hypothesis that the caffeine protective effect is the result of sequestering of aromatic mutagens by formation of stacking (pi-pi) complexes. As the models for the study we have chosen two well-known mutagens, that do not require metabolical activation: quinacrine mustard(QM, aromatic, heterocyclic nitrogen mustard) and mechlorethamine (NM2, aliphatic nitrogen mustard). The flow cytometry study of these agents' action on the cell cycle HL-60 cells indicated that caffeine prevents the cytotoxic action of QM, but not that of NM2. The formations of stacking complexes of QM with caffeine were confirmed by light absorption, calorimetric measurements and by molecular modeling calculation. Using the statistical thermodynamics calculations we

calculated the "neighborhood" association constant ($KAC = 59 \pm 2 \text{ M}^{-1}$) and enthalpy change ($\Delta H^{\circ} = -116 \text{ cal mol}^{-1}$); the favorable entropy change of complex formation ($\Delta S^{\circ} = 7.72 \text{ cal mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$, due to release of several water molecules, associated with components in the process of complex formation). The Gibbs' free energy change of QM-CAF formation is $\Delta G^{\circ} = -2.41 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$. We were unable to detect any interaction between NM2 and caffeine either by spectroscopic or calorimetric measurement. In order to establish, whether the intercalation of QM plays any role in cytotoxic effect we tested, as a control, non-alkylating, but also intercalating QM derivative-quinacrine (Q). The later had no cytostatic effect on HL-60 cell even at there order of higher concentration than QM or NM2 but, similar to QM forms (which we demonstrated) stacking complexes with caffeine ($KAC = 75 \pm 3 \text{ M}^{-1}$). These results strongly indicate, that the attenuating effect of caffeine on cytotoxic or mutagenic effects of some mutagens, is not the results of metabolic processes in the cells, but simply the physicochemical process of sequestering of aromatic molecules (potential carcinogens or mutagens) by formation of stacking complexes with them. The caffeine may then act as the "interceptor" of potential carcinogens (especially in the upper part of digesting track where its concentration can reach the concentration of mM level). There is, however, no indication either in the literature or in our experiments that xanthines can reverse the damage to **nucleic** acids when the damage to DNA has already occurred.

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INACTINETM PEN110 mechanism of action: Disruption of **nucleic** acid replication.

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ABSTRACT: The INACTINETM process for improving the pathogen safety of red blood cell concentrates (RBCCs) involves incubation with 0.1% (v/v) PEN110 (a proprietary chemical INACTINETM agent) at 23degreeC for 24 h, followed by automated washing of RBC. PEN110 is a small electrophilic compound with broad-spectrum antiviral (non-enveloped and enveloped) and antibacterial activities and is thought to inhibit replication of infectious organisms by modification of their genomes. The PEN110 molecule is comprised of two functional domains, a substituted alkyl chain bearing positive charges and an aziridino group, which alkylates nucleophiles when protonated. The selectivity of PEN110 for nucleophilic centers of **nucleic** acids (NA) is attributed to a proposed three-step enzyme-like chemical reaction: 1) initial ionic binding of positively-charged PEN110 to negatively-charged internucleotide phosphate groups; 2) in situ self-activation of PEN110's aziridino group by protonation and 3) covalent modification (alkylation) of neighboring nucleophilic groups (predominantly N7 of guanine) by the activated PEN110. N7 Guanine **alkylation** can cause opening of the imidazole ring, base loss and strand breaks, resulting in disruption of transcription and replication of the pathogen genome. Model

NA (ss and ds M13 DNA, F-tRNA) were incubated with 0.1% (v/v) PEN110 at 23degreeC for 24 h in: 1) MOPS buffer, pH 7.0, 0-500 mM NaCl or KCl; 2) Na-phosphate buffer, pH 6.0-8.0 or 3) MOPS buffer, pH 7.0 containing 25% human CPD/AS-1 supplemented plasma. Aliquots were removed during the incubation and analyzed by gel electrophoresis followed by staining with EtBr. For the replication experiment, PEN110-treated ss M13 DNA was purified by gel filtration, annealed to 5'-32P labeled primer and used as a template to DNA polymerase. Primer extension products were analyzed by gel electrophoresis. Incubation with PEN110 caused exposure time, ionic strength and pH dependent fragmentation of NA. Human plasma or type of cation (Na+ or K+) had no effect on the rate of degradation. Although ds M13 DNA and F-tRNA showed slower rates of fragmentation compared to ss M13 DNA, no intact NA were detected after 24 hr of incubation under buffer conditions similar to physiological (pH 7-7.5, salt concentration apprx150 mM). In the primer extension study, PEN110 treatment of M13 DNA resulted in appearance of DNA bands truncated at the sites, most of which corresponded to guanine in the template strand. Increased ionic strength during PEN110 treatment resulted in a greater degree of primer extension regardless of the type of cation used. No full size DNA copy was detected using the template strand treated with PEN110 under buffer conditions similar to physiological. PEN110 covalently modifies NA as demonstrated by the observed patterns of fragmentation. The reduced extent of fragmentation at high ionic strength and pH is in agreement with the proposed mechanism of action. NA secondary structure slows down but doesn't prevent degradation, and plasma proteins have no effect on the interaction of PEN110 with NA. The replication study confirms that guanine is the preferred target base for PEN110's attack on DNA. These results strongly support the proposition that PEN110 inhibits replication of infectious organisms by covalent modification of their genome.

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Methods and compounds for labeling DNA with xanthine and lower alkyl substituted xanthine derivatives and reagents for the in situ detection of chromosomes

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Peroxiredoxin in bovine ocular tissues: Immunohistochemical localization and in situ hybridization.

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ABSTRACT: Peroxiredoxins are widely distributed in nature and constitute a molecular family of antioxidant enzymes which decompose hydrogen peroxide and alkyl hydroperoxides. We have previously characterized a peroxiredoxin from bovine ciliary body and deduced its amino acid sequence from analysis of cDNA clones encoding the protein. In this work, we investigated the immunolocalization of this novel antioxidant enzyme and its mRNA expression in bovine eye tissues. High levels of immunoreactivity and mRNA for the enzyme were detected in corneal epithelium. Distinct immunoreactivity and mRNA expression for peroxiredoxin were also detected in uveal tissues, some of the retinal cell layers and ocular vasculature.

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Ethidium bromide and SYBR Green I enhance the genotoxicity of UV-irradiation and chemical mutagens in *E. coli*.

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ABSTRACT: Ethidium bromide (EtBr) and SYBR Green I are nucleic acid gel stains and used commonly in combination with UV-illumination. EtBr preferentially induces frameshift mutations but only in the presence of an exogenous metabolic activation system, while SYBR Green I is a very weak mutagen that induces frameshift mutations. We found that EtBr and SYBR Green I, without an added metabolic activation system, strongly potentiated the base-substitution mutations induced by UV-irradiation in *E. coli* B/r WP2 cells. Each DNA stain alone showed no mutagenicity to the strain. Base-substitutions induced by 3-chloro-4-(dichloromethyl)-5-hydroxy-2(5H)-furanone (MX) and 4-nitroquinoline-1-oxide were similarly potentiated by EtBr and SYBR Green I. SYBR Green I had a much greater effect. No enhancing effects were observed on mutations induced by mitomycin C, cisplatin, transplatin, cumene hydroperoxide, base analogs, and alkylating agents. Another DNA stain, acridine orange, showed similar enhancing effects on UV- and MX-mutagenicity, but no effect was observed for 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI). UV- and MX-induced mutations in *E. coli* WP2s (uvrA), which is defective in nucleotide excision repair activity, were not potentiated by the addition of EtBr, SYBR Green I, or acridine orange. Those nucleic acid stains might inhibit the nucleotide excision repair of DNA damaged by UV and MX treatment.

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Shift in FTIR spectrum patterns in methomyl-exposed rat spleen cells.

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ABSTRACT: Methomyl is a highly toxic carbamate insecticide which is widely used in many agricultural countries. We have applied the Fourier-transformed infrared (FTIR) spectroscopic method to study the toxicity of methomyl on cytoskeletal protein and the **nucleic acid** of rat spleen cells. Rats were given methomyl by gavage at 2, 6 and 8 mg/kg in single doses. Colchicine, a microtubule-disrupting agent, was given to rats at 2, 4, and 6 mg/kg in single doses and mitomycin C, an **alkylating** agent which acts as a DNA-cross-linking agent, was given by an intraperitoneal route to rats at 1 mg/kg. It was shown that the wavenumber of FTIR spectra at amide I and amide II in both methomyl- and colchicine-exposed rats shifted in dose response manner when compared with the control ($P < 0.05$). The amide I and II shifts in these regions have been proposed to be the result of an alpha-helix protein conformational change. Toxic doses of mitomycin C, a DNA-cross-linking agent, did not result in this pattern. Moreover, all exposed rats showed an increase in the absorbance ratios that were related to the vibrational mode of the phosphodiester group in **nucleic acid** ($P < 0.05$).

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Crystal structure of the catalytic core component of the **alkylhydroperoxide** reductase AhpF from Escherichia coli.

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ABSTRACT: Alkylhydroperoxide reductases (AhpR, EC 1.6.4.*) are essential for the oxygen tolerance of aerobic organisms by converting

otherwise toxic hydroperoxides of lipids or **nucleic acids** to the corresponding alcohols. The AhpF component belongs to the family of pyridine nucleotide-disulphide oxidoreductases and channels electrons from NAD(P)H towards the AhpC component which finally reduces cognate substrates. The structure of the catalytic core of the Escherichia coli AhpF (A212-A521) with a bound FAD cofactor was determined at 1.9 Å resolution in its oxidized state. The dimeric arrangement of the AhpF catalytic core and the predicted interaction mode between the N-terminal PDO-like domain and the NADPH domain favours an intramolecular electron transfer between the two redox-active disulphide centres of AhpF.

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A new strategy of discrimination of a point mutation by tandem of short oligonucleotides.

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ABSTRACT: A new strategy based on the use of cooperative tandems of short oligonucleotide derivatives (TSOD) has been proposed to discriminate a "right" DNA target from a target containing a single nucleotide discrepancy. Modification of a DNA target by oligodeoxyribonucleotide reagents was used to characterize their interaction in the perfect and mismatched complexes. It is possible to detect any nucleotide changes in the binding sites of the target with the short oligonucleotide reagent. In the presence of flanking di-3',5'-N-(2-hydroxyethyl)phenazinium derivatives of short oligonucleotides (effectors) the tetranucleotide **alkylating** reagent modifies DNA target efficiently and site-specifically only in the perfect complex and practically does not modify it in the mismatched complex. It has been shown that TSOD is much more sensitive tool for the detection of a point mutation in DNA as compared to a longer oligonucleotides.

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Determination of the structural role of the linking moieties in the DNA binding of adozelesin.

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ABSTRACT: Adozelesin (formerly U73975, The Upjohn Co.) is a monofunctional DNA alkylating analogue of the antitumor antibiotic (+)-CC-1065. Adozelesin consists of a cyclopropa(c)pyrrolo(3,2-e)indol-4(5H)-one (CPI) alkylating subunit of (+)-CC-1065 and a indole and benzofurans subunit replacing the more complex pyrroloindole B and C subunits, respectively, of (+)-CC-1065. Previous studies have shown that adozelesin forms a reversible covalent DNA duplex adduct via a reaction between the N3 of adenine and the cyclopropyl of the cyclopropapyrroloindole (CPI) subunit. Gel electrophoresis studies have shown that adozelesin, like all the monofunctional (CPI)-based antitumor antibiotics, has a sequence preference for 5'-TTA*-3' (the asterisk (*) indicates covalently modified base). Molecular-modeling studies have shown that the bound adozelesin ligand spans a total of five base pairs including the modified adenine. These studies have also indicated that, owing to the orientation of the ligand within the base minor groove, there should be an overall preference for sequences rich in AcontdT base pairs, thus avoiding steric crowding around the exocyclic NH₂ of any guanines present. In this study, we have prepared and studied, by high-field NMR and restrained molecular mechanics (rMM) and dynamics (rMD), the duplex adduct formed between adozelesin and 5'-CGTAAGCGCTTA*CG-3'. Previous molecular-modeling studies suggested that this sequence should be less preferred, since the two GC base pairs should lead to extensive steric crowding within the adduct, and this hypothesis has, however, never been supported by DNA-footprinting data. ¹H NMR of the adozelesin duplex adduct has reveals that, although Watson-Crick base pairing is maintained throughout the DNA duplex, there is significant distortion around the central base pairs. This distortion is the result of strong hydrogen-bonding between the amide linker of the indole and benzofuran subunits, and the carbonyl of a central thymine base and second, weaker, hydrogen bond to the exocyclic NH₂ of the central guanine was also observed. ¹H NMR and rMD also indicate that, to accommodate this hydrogen-bond system, the bound adozelesin is not positioned centrally within the minor groove but pushed toward the modified DNA strand. Previous studies on the dimeric CPI analogue bizelesin have indicated the important role the ureylene linker plays in the DNA binding. This study indicates that a similar situation exists in the reaction of adozelesin with double-stranded DNA and provides a possible explanation into the unpredicted sequence selectivity of these ligands.

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Flow cytometric analysis of a marine LAS-degrading consortia.
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ABSTRACT: The specific nucleic acid fluorochrome SYTO-13 was used in flow cytometric analysis to assess changes in the density and heterogeneity of marine bacterial populations which biodegrade linear alkylbenzene sulphonate (LAS). Seawater samples with LAS and incubated in the laboratory (20degreeC, 100 rpm, 30 days) were used to monitor LAS-degrading consortia. Flow cytometric studies and culture methods were used to characterize the LAS degrading bacterioplankton consortia. Fluorescence and scatter signals enabled us to define three regions (R1, R2 and R3) in the dual parameter cytograms. The distribution of the bacterial counts in these regions allowed us to monitor the formation and evolution of the consortia.

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Crystallization and preliminary X-ray analysis of the catalytic core of the alkylhydroperoxide reductase component AhpF from Escherichia coli.
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ABSTRACT: Alkylhydroperoxide reductases (AhpR, E.C. 1.6.4.chi) are essential for the oxygen tolerance of aerobic organisms, converting otherwise toxic hydroperoxides of lipids or nucleic acids to their corresponding alcohols. The AhpF component (521 amino-acid residues, 56.2 kDa) belongs to the family of pyridine nucleotide-disulfide oxidoreductases and channels electrons from NAD(P)H via a series of disulfides towards the AhpC component, which finally reduces the hydroperoxide substrates. Crystals of the proteolytically truncated AhpF component (residues Asn208-Ala521) of the alkyl hydroperoxide reductase from Escherichia coli were grown under oxidizing conditions. The crystals belong to space group P3221, with unit-cell parameters a = 60.4, c = 171.8 ANG. X-ray diffraction data were collected to 1.9 ANG resolution using synchrotron radiation. A molecular-replacement solution was found using the structure of thioredoxin reductase from Arabidopsis thaliana as a search model.

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Alkylation of nucleic acid components with ethylenimine and its derivatives. IV. Alkylation of homopolynucleotides and DNA.
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ABSTRACT: Alkylation of homopolynucleotides and DNA by thioTEPA and monoaziridine diethyl phosphate was studied. The modification affected nucleic bases and terminal phosphate groups but not internucleotide phosphate groups. It was shown that the main center of modification in poly(A) was the N1 atom, whereas the products of N6- and N3-alkylations were formed in smaller amounts. In poly(G), the alkylation proceeded predominantly at the N7 and, insignificantly, at the N1 atom of guanine; the pyrimidine N3 atom is alkylated poorly in poly(C) and even worse in poly(U). In the case of DNA, the major alkylated sites are the guanine N7 and the adenine N3; this results in DNA denaturation and the subsequent formation of products modified at N1 and N6 of adenine, N1 of guanine, and N3 of cytosine. An increase in the pH and ionic strength of the solution as well as the DNA denaturation decrease the reaction rate, whereas ultrasonic fragmentation enhances it. Upon alkylation, melting temperatures decrease, CD and UV spectra change, and DNA luminescence appears. To separate the reaction mixtures and identify the DNA alkylation products, chemical hydrolysis, ion-exchange and reverse-phase HPLC, and UV spectroscopy were used.

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Novel cationic amphiphiles as delivery agents for antisense oligonucleotides.
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ABSTRACT: There has been great interest recently in therapeutic use of nucleic acids including genes, ribozymes and antisense oligonucleotides. Despite recent improvements in delivering antisense oligonucleotides to cells in culture, nucleic acid-based therapy is still often limited by the poor penetration of the nucleic acid into the cytoplasm and nucleus of cells. In this report we describe nucleic acid delivery to cells using a series of novel cationic amphiphiles containing cholic acid moieties linked via alkylamino side chains. We term these agents 'molecular umbrellas' since the cationic alkylamino chains provide a 'handle' for binding of nucleic acids, while the cholic acid moieties are likely to interact with the lipid bilayer allowing the highly charged nucleic acid backbone to traverse across the cell membrane. Optimal gene and oligonucleotide delivery to cells was afforded by a derivative (amphiphile 5) containing four cholic acid moieties. With this amphiphile used as a constituent in cationic liposomes, a 4-5 log increase in reporter gene delivery was measured. This amphiphile used alone provided

a 250-fold enhancement of oligonucleotide association with cells as observed by flow cytometry. A substantial fraction of cells exposed to complexes of amphiphile 5 and fluorescent oligonucleotide showed nuclear accumulation of the fluorophore. Enhanced pharmacological effectiveness of antisense oligonucleotides complexed with amphiphile 5 was observed using an antisense splicing correction assay that activates a Luciferase reporter. Intracellular delivery, nuclear localization and pharmacological effectiveness of oligonucleotides using amphiphile 5 were similar to those afforded by commercial cytofectins. However, in contrast to most commercial cytofectins, the umbrella amphiphile showed substantial delivery activity even in the presence of high concentrations of serum.

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Chemical and mutagenic investigations of fatty acid amide hydrolase:
Evidence for a family of serine hydrolases with distinct catalytic properties.

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ABSTRACT: Fatty acid amide hydrolase (FAAH) is a membrane-bound enzyme responsible for the catabolism of neuromodulatory fatty acid amides, including anandamide and oleamide. FAAH's primary structure identifies this enzyme as a member of a diverse group of **alkyl** amidases, known collectively as the "amidase signature family". At present, this enzyme family's catalytic mechanism remains poorly understood. In this study, we investigated the catalytic features of FAAH through mutagenesis, affinity labeling, and steady-state kinetic methods. In particular, we focused on the respective roles of three serine residues that are conserved in all amidase signature enzymes (S217, S218, and S241 in FAAH). Mutation of each of these serines to alanine resulted in a FAAH enzyme bearing significant catalytic defects, with the S217A and S218A mutants showing 2300- and 95-fold reductions in kcat, respectively, and the S241A mutant exhibiting no detectable catalytic activity. The double S217A:S218A FAAH mutant displayed a 230 000-fold decrease in kcat, supporting independent catalytic functions for these serine residues. Affinity labeling of FAAH with a specific nucleophile reactive inhibitor, ethoxy oleoyl fluorophosphonate, identified S241 as the enzyme's catalytic nucleophile. The pH dependence of FAAH's kcat and kcat/Km implicated a base involved in catalysis with a pKa of 7.9. Interestingly, mutation of each of FAAH's conserved histidines (H184, H358, and H449) generated active enzymes, indicating that FAAH does not contain a Ser-His-Asp catalytic triad commonly found in other mammalian serine hydrolytic enzymes. The unusual properties of FAAH identified here suggest that this enzyme, and possibly the amidase signature family as a whole, may hydrolyze amides by a novel catalytic mechanism.

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Use of the 5-cyano-2,3-ditolyl tetrazolium chloride reduction test to assess respiring marine bacteria and grazing effects by flow cytometry during linear **alkylbenzene** sulfonate degradation.

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ABSTRACT: Viable, total and metabolically active bacteria were determined during linear **alkylbenzene** sulfonate degradation in coastal seawater. Viable bacteria were estimated by plate counts on marine agar media while the total and metabolically active bacteria were determined with the **nucleic** acid stain SYTO-13 and the tetrazolium salt 5-cyano-2,3-ditolyl tetrazolium chloride, respectively, in double stain procedures analyzed by flow cytometry. The double stain SYTO-13/5-cyano-2,3-ditolyl tetrazolium chloride is a rapid and simple method that discriminates bacterioplankton populations according to **nucleic** acid content and formazan formation. Linear **alkylbenzene** sulfonate degradation was monitored by high-performance liquid chromatography analysis. Bacterioplankton degraded linear **alkylbenzene** sulfonate by growing to communities with a high percentage of viable and metabolically active bacteria. The bacteria produced were rapidly grazed by protozoa: however, the grazing took place mostly on metabolically active cells, which were larger than the rest of the population.

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Hydrophobicities of the **nucleic** acid bases: Distribution coefficients from water to cyclohexane.

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ABSTRACT: To establish an experimental scale of hydrophobicities for the **nucleic** acid bases, comparable with a scale developed earlier for amino acid side-chains these bases and their parent compounds (purine and pyrimidin-2-one) were converted to n-butylated and tetrahydrofurylated derivatives that are appreciably soluble in cyclohexane, a truly non-polar solvent that dissolves negligible water at saturation. Distribution measurements between neutral aqueous solution and cyclohexane, at varying solute concentrations, showed no evidence of self-association of the solute in either solvent, and the possibility of specific entrainment of water by solutes entering cyclohexane was ruled

out by the results of experiments with tritiated water. In both the n-butyl and tetrahydrofuryl series, the bases span a range of -5.3 kcal mol⁻¹ in their free energies of transfer from water to cyclohexane, and are arranged in the following rank, in order of decreasing hydrophobicity: purine > thymine > adenine > uracil > pyrimidin-2-one > hypoxanthine > cytosine > guanine. In both series of pyrimidin-2-ones, hydrophobicity decreases with introduction of an amino substituent, but addition of an exocyclic keto group results in a modest enhancement of hydrophobicity; and free energies of transfer are relatively insensitive to the position of N-alkyl substitution. In both series of purines, hydrophobicity decreases with the introduction of exocyclic amino and keto groups, the keto group having the greater effect; and free energies of transfer vary substantially depending on the position of N-alkyl substitution. Several additional compounds were examined to test recent predictions based on SM5.4/A, a quantum mechanical self-consistent-field solvation model; and that model was found to yield values in reasonable agreement with the experimental results.

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Hydrogen peroxide formation by reaction of peroxyxynitrite with HEPES and related tertiary amines: Implications for a general mechanism.

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ABSTRACT: Organic amine-based buffer compounds such as HEPES (Good's buffers) are commonly applied in experimental systems, including those where the biological effects of peroxyxynitrite are studied. In such studies 3-morpholinomethyl-2-methyl-5-iso-oxazolidinone N-ethylcarbamate (SIN-1), a compound that simultaneously releases nitric oxide (.NO) and superoxide (O₂⁻), is often used as a source for peroxyxynitrite. Whereas in mere phosphate buffer H₂O₂ formation from 1.5 mM SIN-1 was low (approx 15 μM), incubation of SIN-1 with Good's buffer compounds resulted in continuous H₂O₂ formation. After 2 h of incubation of 1.5 mM SIN-1 with 20 mM HEPES about 190 μM H₂O₂ were formed. The same amount of H₂O₂ could be achieved from 1.5 mM SIN-1 by action of superoxide dismutase in the absence of HEPES. The increased H₂O₂ level, however, could not be related to a superoxide dismutase or to a NO scavenger activity of HEPES. On the other hand, SIN-1-mediated oxidation of both dihydrorhodamine 123 and deoxyribose as well as peroxyxynitrite-dependent nitration of p-hydroxyphenylacetic acid were strongly inhibited by 20 mM HEPES. Furthermore, the peroxyxynitrite scavenger tryptophan significantly reduced H₂O₂ formation from SIN-1-HEPES interactions. These observations suggest that peroxyxynitrite is the initiator for the enhanced formation of H₂O₂. Likewise, authentic peroxyxynitrite (1 mM) also induced the formation of both O₂⁻ and H₂O₂ upon addition to HEPES (400 mM)-containing solutions in a pH (4.5-7.5)-dependent manner. In accordance with previous reports it was found that at pH approx 5 oxygen is released in the decay of peroxyxynitrite. As a consequence, peroxyxynitrite (1 mM)-induced H₂O₂

formation (apprx80 mM at pH 7.5) also occurred under hypoxic conditions. In the presence of bicarbonate/carbon dioxide (20 mM/5%) the production of H₂O₂ from the reaction of HEPES with peroxyxynitrite was even further stimulated. Addition of SIN-1 or authentic peroxyxynitrite to solutions of Good's buffers resulted in the formation of piperazine-derived radical cations as detected by ESR spectroscopy. These findings suggest a mechanism for H₂O₂ formation in which peroxyxynitrite (or any strong oxidant derived from it) initially oxidizes the tertiary amine buffer compounds in a one-electron step. Subsequent deprotonation and reaction of the intermediate alpha-amino alkyl radicals with molecular oxygen leads to the formation of O₂⁻. from which H₂O₂ is produced by dismutation. Hence, HEPES and similar organic buffers should be avoided in studies of oxidative compounds. Furthermore, this mechanism of H₂O₂ formation must be regarded to be a rather general one for biological systems where sufficiently strong oxidants may interact with various biologically relevant amino-type molecules, such as ATP, creatine, or nucleic acids.

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Human neutrophils employ the myeloperoxidase-hydrogen peroxide-chloride system to convert hydroxy-aminoacids into glycolaldehyde, 2-hydroxypropanal, and acrolein: A mechanism for the generation of highly reactive alpha-hydroxy and alpha,beta-unsaturated aldehydes by phagocytes at sites of inflammation.

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ABSTRACT: Reactive aldehydes derived from reducing sugars and lipid peroxidation play a critical role in the formation of advanced glycation end (AGE) products and oxidative tissue damage. We have recently proposed another mechanism for aldehyde generation at sites of inflammation that involves myeloperoxidase, a heme enzyme secreted by activated phagocytes. We now demonstrate that human neutrophils employ the myeloperoxidase-H₂O₂-2-chloride system to produce alpha-hydroxy and alpha,beta-unsaturated aldehydes from hydroxy-amino acids in high yield. Identities of the aldehydes were established using mass spectrometry and high performance liquid chromatography. Activated neutrophils converted L-serine to glycolaldehyde, an alpha-hydroxyaldehyde which mediates protein cross-linking and formation of N-epsilon(carboxymethyl)lysine, an AGE product. L-Threonine was similarly oxidized to 2-hydroxypropanal and its dehydration product, acrolein, an extremely reactive alpha,beta-unsaturated aldehyde which **alkylates** proteins and **nucleic acids**. Aldehyde generation required neutrophil activation and a free hydroxy-amino acid; it was inhibited by catalase and heme poisons, implicating H₂O₂ and myeloperoxidase in the cellular reaction. Aldehyde production by purified myeloperoxidase required H₂O₂ and chloride, and was mimicked by reagent hypochlorous acid (HOCl) in the absence of enzyme, suggesting that the reaction pathway involves a chlorinated intermediate. Collectively, these results indicate that the myeloperoxidase-H₂O₂-2-chloride system of phagocytes converts free hydroxy-amino acids into highly reactive alpha-hydroxy and alpha,beta-unsaturated aldehydes. The generation of glycolaldehyde,

2-hydroxypropanal, and acrolein by activated phagocytes may thus play a role in AGE product formation and tissue damage at sites of inflammation.

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Evaluation by polymerase chain reaction on the effect of betapropiolactone and binary ethyleneimine on DNA.
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ABSTRACT: Inactivating treatments for viruses such as pasteurization or alkylation by beta-propiolactone or binary ethyleneimine were tested for their capacity to modify nucleic acids. The modification of a nucleic acid was measured as the decrease in spot intensity in Southern blots after polymerase chain reaction (PCR) amplification. The inactivating treatments were applied to cellular and viral genomic material from a human lymphoblastoid cell line immortalized by Epstein Barr Virus (EBV), which produced a monoclonal antibody. Pasteurization did not modify the ability to amplify and detect cellular or viral DNA. Binary ethyleneimine strongly reduced the amount of detectable DNA and beta-propiolactone under particular conditions of incubation abolished all trace of DNA.

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A procedure for selective DNA alkylation and detection by mass spectrometry.
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ABSTRACT: A method which improves the detectability of DNA by mass spectrometry is presented. By quantitatively alkylating the backbone of phosphorothioate oligonucleotides the problems of gas phase ion generation by matrix assisted laser desorption ionization can be controlled. We have developed a selective alkylating protocol for phosphorothioate oligonucleotides which is a facile way of generating non-ionic nucleic acids. A variety of alkylating agents was studied and their kinetics were monitored in a gel electrophoretic assay and by mass spectrometry.

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On the consistency between the electron density based bonding model for
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The excretion of 7-methyladenine in the urine of rats exposed to
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ABSTRACT: Earlier studies showed that urine of rats which had been injected
with the methlating agent N-(3H-methyl)-N-nitrosoourea contained a
previously undetected metabolic product, 7-(3H-methyl)adenine. This
methylpurine, undoubtedly derived from **alkylation of nucleic**
acids followed by depurination, was not labeled when 14C-methyl-labeled
methionine was administered concurrently. To establish whether urinary
7-methyladenine (7-MA) might serve as a marker of exposure to exogenous
and carcinogenic methylating agents, the excretion of 7-MA following
injection of methylating agents was measured. A GC-MS method, using
pentafluorobenzyl derivatives and an internal standard of
tri-deutero-7-MA, was developed to assay levels of 7-MA. Increasing the
i.p. dose of N-methylnitrosoourea (MNU) from 2 to 80 mg/kg/rat resulted in
a linear increase in urinary 7-MA, which at the highest dose was 1.6 mu-g
during the first day and another 0.4 mu-g during day 2. Doses of 5 mg/kg
MNU led to elevated urinary levels of 7-MA (144 ng) compared to controls
(26 ng). Other methylating agents, such as dimethylnitrosamine,
N-methyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine and dimethyl sulfate, also provided
urinary 7-MA. To determine the fate of injected 7-MA, the administration
of 2 mu-g 7-(3H-methyl)adenine led to an 80% recovery of radioactivity in
the urine, almost all of it during the first 24 h. No other labeled
metabolites were detected. At least for the rat, urinary 7-MA serves as
an indicator of exposure to methylating agents.

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Structure, DNA minor groove binding, and base pair specificity of
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ABSTRACT: A series of bis(amidinobenzimidazoles) and bis(amidinoindoles)
with varied linking chains connecting the aromatic groups and various
modifications to the basic amidino groups have been prepared. The calf
thymus (CT) DNA and **nucleic** acid homopolymer (poly(dA) cntdot
poly(dT), poly(dA-dT) cntdot poly(dA-dT), and poly(dG-dC) cntdot
poly(dG-dC)) binding properties of these compounds have been studied by
thermal denaturation (DELTA-T-m) and viscosity. The compounds show a
greater affinity for poly(dA) cntdot poly(dT) and poly(dA-dT) cntdot
poly(dA-dT) than for poly(dG-dC) cntdot poly(dG-dC). Viscometric
titrations indicate that the compounds do not bind by intercalation.
Molecular modeling studies and the biophysical data suggest that the
molecules bind to the minor groove of CT DNA and homopolymers. Analysis
of the shape of the molecules is consistent with this mode of
nucleic acid binding. Compounds with an even number of methylenes
connecting the benzimidazole rings have a higher affinity for DNA than
those with an odd number of methylenes. Molecular modeling calculations
that determine the radius of curvature of four defined groups in the
molecule show that the shape of the molecule, as a function of chain
length, affects the strength of **nucleic** acid associated
differential in **nucleic** acid base pair specificity or affinity.

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Bead-based sandwich hybridization characteristics of
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phosphatase conjugate probes were examined in bead-based sandwich
hybridization reactions using single-stranded **nucleic** acid targets
and oligonucleotide-polystyrene capture beads. Enzymatic activity was

monitored using a chemiluminescent substrate and calibration plots of chemiluminescent signal versus conjugate concentration were used to estimate the sandwich hybridization efficiencies. Improved hybridization behavior was noted using glycerol as an additive and by increasing the length of the probe and alkyl spacer of the conjugates. The chemiluminescent assay is at least as sensitive as those employing ³²P-labeled probes and can detect as little as 10-20 amol of target RNA. The linear relationship of chemiluminescent signal versus target assayed provides a method for quantitating unknown target samples. A single human immunodeficiency virus type 1 infected cell in a background of 10⁶ uninfected cells is readily detected when this enzyme-based detection assay is prefaced with a self-sustained sequence-replication amplification reaction.

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Distance distribution in a dye-linked oligonucleotide determined by time-resolved fluorescence energy transfer.

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ABSTRACT: Fluorescence energy transfer is potentially a useful technique for obtaining structural and dynamic information on duplex and branched DNA molecules suitably labeled with donor and acceptor dyes. We have assessed the accuracy and limitations of FET measurements in nucleic acids with respect to the localization of the dyes and the flexibility of the dye-DNA linkages. A nine base-pair duplex oligonucleotide was synthesized with donor and acceptor dyes linked at the opposing 5' termini by alkyl chains. A careful analysis of the fluorescence decay of the donor revealed that the donor-acceptor distance in this molecule was not well defined, but was described by a rather broad distribution. The mean donor-acceptor distance and the distribution of distances have been recovered from the donor decay. Orientational effects on energy transfer have been included in the analysis. The implications of these findings of FET measurements in nucleic acids are considered.

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4-4 NITROBENZYLPIRIDINE TESTS FOR ALKYLATING AGENTS FOLLOWING
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ABSTRACT: A chemical activation system (CAS) designed to mimic the mammalian mixed-function oxidase enzymes was found to activate target compounds to reactive electrophiles. Activated compounds were assayed by reaction with 4-(4-nitrobenzyl)pyridine (NBP). A model nucleophile of 7-alkylguanine of nucleic acids, NBP produces a violet color following alkylation. Twenty compounds from several chemical classes were tested. The test generally gave positive and negative responses where expected. Two compounds, trichloroethylene and diethylnitrosamine, exhibited a linear Beer's law relationship in the concentration range tested. A high degree of linear correlation ($r > 0.97$) was obtained for these compounds. Other compounds showed varying degrees of linear correlation from high correlation ($r = 0.94$) to weak correlation ($r = 0.44$). The CAS-NBP assay results were compared to bacterial mutagenicity and animal carcinogenicity test results when information was available. A good correlation ($r = 0.80$) existed between direct alkylating activity and direct mutagenicity. Similar correlations existed between NBP alkylation following activation and mutagenicity following microsomal activation ($r = 0.73$). Also, different correlations were observed between carcinogenicity and NBP alkylation following activation ($r = 0.69$) and without activation ($r = 0.38$).

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ABSTRACT: Basic principles of mass spectrometry (MS) and methods of ionization are described. Methodological aspects of field ionization (FI) and field desorption (FD) MS are considered in detail. Examples are given demonstrating application of FI and FD MS as an analytical tool for structure analysis and identification of mono-, di- and oligosaccharides, nucleic acid bases, nucleosides, nucleotides, oligonucleotides, biomacromolecules (DNA, polysaccharides), microorganisms, metals in biological tissues and liquids, drugs (in particular, organophosphoric compounds) and their metabolites. The possibilities of fast atom bombardment MS in the investigation of dGuo and DNA alkylation by thiophosphamide are demonstrated.

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MACRO MOLECULAR COMPLEXES PRODUCED BY CHEMICAL CARCINOGENS AND UV RADIATION
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ABSTRACT: The effects of several carcinogenic and noncarcinogenic chemicals, UV light and some presumably noncarcinogenic analogs of carcinogenic compounds were tested for their ability to induce in vitro complexes between purified **nucleic** acids and **nucleic** acids and proteins. Several independent **analytical** methods were used to minimize the possibility of an unrecognized technical artifact. The results indicate that all of the ultimate tumor producing agents tested thus far fall into 2 distinct groups with respect to their ability to form macromolecular complexes. Class A of these chemicals includes several mono- and polyfunctional **alkylating** agents. **Nucleic** acid-**nucleic** acid and protein-**nucleic** acid adducts are produced in the presence of these compounds. Class B is exemplified by N-acetoxy-2-acetylaminofluorene, salts of Be and UV light. Complexes between proteins and **nucleic** acids, although not between the **nucleic** acids themselves, are produced in the presence of class B agents. Nonultimate carcinogenic chemicals such as N-hydroxy-2-acetylaminofluorene and 2-acetylaminofluorene do not give rise to any of these macromolecular complexes. They may be transformed into apparently active forms that then behave like class B carcinogens after exposure to mouse or rat liver extracts (postmitochondrial supernatants). None of the macromolecular complexes were produced by noncarcinogenic chemicals. Along with earlier observations, data reported in this paper indicate that a significant number and possibly all of the tumor producing agents are able to form macromolecular complexes. If such strong bonds between various chromosomal macromolecules are produced inside living cells exposed to carcinogenic agents, 1 extreme consequence of their formation may be nondisjunction of daughter chromosomes during mitosis and/or chromosomal breakdown. Such effects were often observed by others in tissues treated with carcinogens, and chromosomal aberrations are believed by some to correlate with malignant behavior.

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